



The Committee for Hispanic Children and Families, Inc.

Immigrant Rights and Resources

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Know Your Rights

[New York Legal Assistance Group \(NYLAG\) Immigrants' Rights and Resources](#)

[Know Your Rights PDF](#)

[Immigrant Self-Assessment PDF](#)

[Know Your Rights Pocket Flyer PDF](#)

[AFT – American Federation of Teachers](#)

[Know Your Rights for Students and Parents PDF](#)

[ACLU](#)

[If stopped by police, ICE, or FBI PDF](#)

DREAMer/DACA Supports

[United We Dream](#)

[Deportation Defense Card](#)

[What to do if ICE Comes to the Door PDF](#)

Teacher Resources

[AFT – Share My Lesson](#)

A collection of lessons to help teachers educate all students about immigration and create inclusive school communities

[National Immigration Law Center](#)

[Immigration and Refugee Children: A Guide for Educators and School Support Staff PDF](#)

Legal Services

[New York Legal Assistance Group \(NYLAG\)](#)

NYLAG provides free civil legal services to New Yorkers who cannot afford a private attorney.

[Community Offices List](#)

[ActionNYC](#)

Free, safe, comprehensive, and confidential legal screenings to determine eligibility for immigration benefits and access legal help.

Make an appointment call 1-800-354-0365 between 9AM-6PM, Monday – Friday or call 311 and say "ActionNYC"

[New Americans Hotline](#)

The hotline provides live assistance in more than 200 languages. Anyone can call for information and referrals,

Our Dedication

The Committee for Hispanic Children and Families envisions a future where Latino children, youth, and families have equitable access to opportunities to succeed, are empowered to realize their full potential, and are affirmed in their culture. This vision manifests for the organization through our education, capacity building, and advocacy and policy efforts in the early care and K-12 education sectors. We recognize that in the current political climate our child care professionals, students, and families are in more vulnerable positions.

The work that we do continues to bring to the forefront the impact of systemic issues that our communities are confronted with. We have put together this immigration resource guide to respond to a noticeable shift in our communities. We thank all of our partners for sharing their wisdom and expertise, which allowed us to put this together for you. It includes links to many of the immigration resources and documents that we have come across.

Please pass this resource guide on and/or feel free to share with us additional resources that we may have missed.

Always in Service,
Diana Noriega, Chief Program Officer
The CHCF Team

Know Your Rights

Everyone has rights in this country, regardless of immigration status. Please use the resources or reach out to known advocacy and ally organizations to begin having conversations about your rights and how you can protect yourself, your family, and fellow community members against instances of injustice.

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) is the immigration enforcement agency that can arrest and detain undocumented individuals or Lawful Permanent Residents who are deportable. Refer to the New York Legal Assistance Group's "Know Your Rights PDF" for what to do if ICE comes to your home. Click [HERE](#) for a rights card to carry with you.

As a sanctuary city, NYPD is limiting their cooperation

regardless of citizenship or documented status. Calls are confidential and anonymous.

Call 1-800-566-7636 between 9AM-8PM, Monday-Friday.

Family Preparedness

Family Preparedness Plan

[This PDF packet](#) will help to create a Family Preparedness Plan, regardless of immigration status.

Appleseed

[Manual for Protecting Assets and Child Custody in the Face of Deportation PDF](#)

Mental Health

NYC Well

Free, confidential connection to mental health care, in more than 200 languages, any time of day.

Call 1-888-NYC-Well, text WELL to 65173 or go to the [linked website](#).

Domestic Violence

Safe Horizon Immigration Law Project (ILP)

Staff are trained and experienced in working with survivors of trauma and violence from diverse cultures, and are able to provide services in 200 languages. Services provided to clients regardless of current immigration status.

Need Help? Call 1-800-621-HOPE (4673)

Anti-Discrimination

NYC Commission on Human Rights

New Yorkers have the right to be free from unlawful discrimination, retaliation, and harassment in the workplace, housing, and public places.

To file a complaint or learn more, call 311 or call the NYC Commission on Human Rights at 718-722-3131.

Fair Housing NYC

There is no room for housing discrimination in NYC
[Fair Housing Brochure PDF](#)

Consumer Protection

[Tips for Immigrants PDF](#)

IDNYC

IDNYC is the City's identification card for all New Yorkers, which allows you to identify yourself to law enforcement without disclosing immigration status. IDNYC does not collect immigration status information, and applicants' information is protected to the full extent of the law.

[Start your Application for IDNYC](#)

Other Organizations to Check Out

[New York Immigration Coalition \(NYIC\)](#)

[Northern Manhattan Coalition for Immigrant Rights \(NMCIR\)](#)

with federal agents. However, in any interaction with law enforcement you should Know Your Rights. Most importantly, police should not inquire about your status. It is best to carry an ID that does not state your citizenship, such as IDNYC.

Legal Help

New York City is a known sanctuary city, meaning that city leaders are limiting their cooperation with the federal government and working to ensure *all* have access to social services and protections, regardless of immigration status. In line with this, city leaders and community based organizations are working to connect undocumented and mixed-status families to free or affordable legal services for a range of cases, such as (but not limited to):

- Citizenship
- Green card applications and renewals
- Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)
- Temporary Protected Status (TPS)
- Detainment and deportation

It is important that you are getting help from a trusted, licensed attorney or accredited representative. Please refer to the provided resources for guidance regarding legal services.

Protecting Your Family

Every family should have a Family Preparedness Plan. It is our sincere hope that you will never have to use the plan; however, we believe that having one in place and sharing it with all members of the family will reduce the level of stress that you might experience in the face of uncertainty.

Please use the attached Family Preparedness Plan packet from the Immigrant Legal Resource Center to begin your family plan.

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